

DOUBLE DEATH
IN AERO FALLWorst Accident in History
of Aeroplaning in France

MAY BE THIRD FATALITY

Wife of Alexander Lafon Witnessed His
Death and May Die from Shock—Mar-
quis Mario Paul, Wealthy Aviation
Promoter, the Other Victim.

Paris, Dec. 28.—Marquis Mario Paul, a wealthy promoter of aviation, and Alexander Lafon, chief pilot of the Antoinette school, were killed to-day at Issy. The machine in which they were flying capsized, and the two aviators fell two hundred feet. They were competing for the \$20,000 prize which was offered for the speediest one-passenger flight from Paris to Brussels.

When the machine started to turn over in the air, Lafon, who was in charge of it, tried desperately to right it, the efforts being clearly seen by the spectators. Lafon's wife was among those who witnessed the tragedy and she collapsed with the shock and is now in a critical condition. Both Marquis Paul and Lafon died within a few minutes after striking the ground. This is the worst accident in the history of aeroplaning in France.

ANOTHER AVIATOR TRIES TRIP.

Competing for \$20,000 Prize—Same
Event in Which George Lost Life.

Dover, Eng., Dec. 28.—Robert Loran, the actor-aviator, started to-day from the island of Shippie in competition for the \$20,000 prize for an English aviator, in an English machine, flying the farthest into France and Belgium from the English coast. This event is the same in which Cecil Grace is supposed to have perished, being drowned in the North sea, last week.

FOR JAPAN-AMERICA WAR.

Report That Explosives Were Found in
Manila and Plans Are Complete.

Manila, Dec. 28.—It is reported that the military authorities have discovered a Japanese plot to mine the harbor here and blow up the American warships, if hostilities occur between Japan and America. It is declared that the military organized a search in the Japanese section and found a quantity of explosives. Seizure is maintained, but it is understood that the military learned of complete plans by the Japanese, and many other arrests will follow the arrest of the Japanese spy yesterday.

BETHEL.

Death of Mrs. Aurilla Shedd at Age of
90 Years.

Mrs. William Shedd died at her home on Sunday, December 25, after about two weeks of illness from a severe cold, which greatly reduced her strength and from which at her advanced age, she was not able to rally. Mrs. Shedd's residence here had been from her earliest childhood, she having been born in Bethel on what is known as Christian hill, September 10, 1820, and was one of nine children, born to Holley and Betsey (Moody) Jones. Here she received her education, attending the district school near her home, and later at what was called the old brick school house, on South Main street, which in later years has been converted into a dwelling house. When she was 20 years of age, she married Rodney Shedd, the ceremony being performed at the home of her uncle, John Moody, by the Rev. Eli Garfield, a Universalist minister, who at that time resided in town. Following this marriage Mr. and Mrs. Shedd went to Randolph to live, and it was here that their only son, Edgar Rodney Shedd, was born. After a residence of one year in Randolph, they returned here, where they remained during their entire life. Mr. Shedd's death occurred in December, 1888, and the son's, seven years before, in June, 1881. Since the loss of her family, Mrs. Shedd has resided alone most of the time, following her trade as fallow, till her failing sight obliged her to give this up, as it was found that cataracts were forming upon both eyes, and for a time she was almost entirely blind. It was only by resorting to a surgical operation, which she bore with great fortitude, that her sight was partially restored. Mrs. Shedd had a host of friends among the young and old alike, who delighted to call upon her and minister to her comfort and happiness. To the last she retained her memory, and was always interested in all that pertained to the good of the town and its people. She was long a member of the Universalist church, and a constant and devoted attendant upon its services as long as strength permitted her to be present. Young and old alike had great respect for this remarkable woman and all will miss the pleasure of calling upon her. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, the Rev. H. A. Parkhurst, pastor of the Universalist church, officiating, and interment was in Cherry Hill cemetery in the family lot. Mrs. Shedd is survived by her son's widow, Mrs. Addie Shedd, besides more distant relatives.

STOCK ISSUE IS GRANTED.

B. & M. Petition Wins Over Protest of
C. E. Carr, Beaten for Governor.

Concord, N. H., Dec. 28.—The New Hampshire board of railroad commissioners yesterday afternoon issued an order granting the petition of the Boston & Maine railroad for the authorization of a stock issue of 106,637 new shares of its common stock, and gave authority to the Fitchburg railroad for a new issue of its stock.

This action of the board in the case of the Boston & Maine follows several hearings at which Clarence E. Carr of Andover, recently Democratic candidate for governor, appeared in person and by counsel and strenuously opposed the issue.

BAGFUL OF QUARTERS

But Secret Service Agents Say They Are
Counterfeits.

New York, Dec. 28.—Secret service agents raided last night in Brooklyn what they described as a complete counterfeiters' plant, made two arrests and confiscated a bag of counterfeit quarters, weighing 125 pounds. They found plaster molds, acids, alloys and partly finished dies. The prisoners are Frank Stieberg and John Drow, both Russians, who have been in this country only nine months. The total value of the seizure is estimated at \$6,000.

PROSECUTOR DEMANDS TRUTH.

Unless It Is Told, Vote Buyers Will
Be Sent to Penitentiary.

West Union, Ohio, Dec. 28.—Prosecutor Stevens announced to-day that he will demand a penitentiary sentence for any failing to tell the truth in their confession in the vote-buying investigation. Punishment on conviction has hitherto been easy, usually a fine and disfranchisement.

STRICT NEUTRALITY URGED.

United States Sends Notes Urging This
During Honduran Revolution.

Managua, Nicaragua, Dec. 28.—President Estrada has received a note from the United States urging strict neutrality during the Honduran revolution. Notes were sent to Salvador, Guatemala and Costa Rica.

Grand Matron Critically Ill.

SCHOOLBOY A SUICIDE.

Body of Herbert Potter Found Hanging
To a Tree.

Fairhaven, Mass., Dec. 28.—The body of Herbert Potter, a 16-year-old boy who lived with George C. Lawton on Sciticut neck, was found yesterday hanging to a tree in a swamp about a quarter of a mile from the place where his bicycle and school books were found December 10.

Potter had lived with Mr. Lawton four years and was a first year student at the Fairhaven high school. On Friday, December 2, he started to ride his wheel to school. He left the highway of Sciticut neck after he had ridden half a mile or more and all trace of him was lost until the following week, when his wheel and books were found. He had evidently wandered in the woods, climbed a tree, tied a rope around his neck with one end attached to the limb of the tree so that his body cleared the ground about four feet.

The only cause that can be given for his suicide is the fact that he had been ill for several days in November and he was worried because he was getting behind in his studies.

He had several brothers and sisters in this city. His father lives in Westport.

READY TO BEGIN AGAIN.

Harry Forbes, Former Champion, Seeks
Early Gratitude in Ring.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Harry Forbes, former bantam-weight champion, returned Monday from Windsor, where he decisively whipped Earl Denning in eight rounds. Harry carries his 31 years lightly. Though it seems to much to expect that the little black-haired lad who lost the championship to Terry McGovern more than 10 years ago can "come back," he may, if appearance counts for anything.

Forbes married young and is the father of two strapping boys, the elder 10 and the younger 5; has always taken good care of himself, and his present physical condition is that of the ordinary fighter of 25. Harry looks bulky, weighed only 117½ at Windsor and said Monday night that he fought as well as ever and was just as strong in his battle with Denning as at any time in his career.

Forbes, who is not given to bragging, stated that the big eight-ounce gloves, coupled with the Canadian restrictions regarding fighting, hampered him considerably, but for which he would doubtless have stopped Earl.

FIRE AT MONSON, ME.

Damage Last Night Was \$13,000—Low
Water Hindered Fighting.

Monson, Me., Dec. 28.—Favorable weather conditions and a hard struggle by the people saved the business section of this village from destruction last night by a fire that caused loss estimated at \$13,000.

The fire started in the basement of the two-story frame building owned by Fred Spencer and occupied on the ground floor by the post office, express office, drug store of Ira M. Hascock and fruit store of L. R. Selberg, and Markley Smith's shoe repairing shop in the basement. The second floor was occupied by George Graffman and family. The Graffmans escaped, though losing much of their belongings.

The loss on building was total, at \$3,000, insured partially. All of the fixtures, mail and government property in the post office was lost, and much of the express matter.

The Hascock stock, valued at \$4,500, and Selberg's stock, worth \$800, are a total loss and are partially insured.

Low water and lack of power made the village force pump system almost useless, and the people were obliged to fight the flames with an old hand engine and buckets. The blaze originated in the basement of the Spencer store from a cause not yet known.

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SUES FOR HIS CHILDREN.

Capt. C. M. Brownell Begins Proceedings
in Burlington.

Burlington, Dec. 28.—A hearing was begun in the probate court here yesterday before Judge Macomber on the petition of Capt. C. M. Brownell of New York to have set aside the order by which his children were decreed to the parents of his wife, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hilton, of this city.

YOUTH SHOT
HIS FATHERFrank Gearwar of Newbury,
Aged 60, Badly Wounded

BOY NOT IN CONFINEMENT

Latter Admits Shooting His Father, but
Claims He Did It to Protect His
Life, as His Father Was Chok-
ing and Beating Him.

Wells River, Dec. 28.—Frank Gearwar, aged 60 years, is in the Woodsville hospital, dangerously wounded, as the result of a fracas with his son, Clyde Gearwar, aged 16 years, Sunday afternoon. The boy, while admitting shooting his father, claims that he did it in self-defense, and his mother bears out the boy in his story. The shooting took place at the Gearwar farm, which is about five miles from this village, where Mr. and Mrs. Gearwar, the son, Clyde, and three other sons and two daughters reside.

In telling his side of the case, Clyde Gearwar says that he was attacked by his father, who threatened to put him out of the house. The boy says that his father, who was drunk, had him down on the floor and was choking and wriggling around so that he could reach a revolver on a nearby shelf. He says that he fired then. Three out of four shots took effect, the most dangerous wound being one which starts at the right breast and takes a course across the body and is now lodged in the left lung. Another shot struck the elder man in the left leg just above the knee, and a third grazed one ear.

The wounded man was attended by Dr. Russell of Newbury, and later Dr. Ricker of Wells River was called into the case. As it was seen that the man was badly hurt, he was taken to the hospital at Woodsville. Statements from the hospital are to the effect that Gearwar is holding his own, but there are doubts as to his recovery. The bullet wound in the breast is a severe one.

WINOOSKI WILL LOSE

One of Its Leading Industries, the Porter
Screen Works.

Winooski, Dec. 28.—The Porter Screen Manufacturing company, employing 200 hands and one of the leading industries of this village, is to move to Trenton, N. J., within a few months. According to a statement from the company's office the principal reasons for moving the plant are the saving in the cost of raw material and principally the saving to the company in outgoing freight rates to all eastern markets. It is claimed that the outgoing rates from Trenton to Boston are lower than from Winooski to Boston and that the average rates from Trenton to New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore are only about half the rates from Winooski.

The Porter Screen company is one of the industries controlled by the John A. Roebling Sons company of New York, manufacturer of steel wire. The big industries of the Messrs. Roebling are located at Roebling, N. J., a modern industrial town on the Delaware river a few miles south of Trenton. It is here that the Porter Screen company will be located. The moving of the Winooski plant to Roebling is said to be in line with the general policy of the Messrs. Roebling in concentrating their industries.

CONCORD GRANITE WORKERS

Will Ask for New Bill to Replace One
Expiring On May 1.

Concord, N. H., Dec. 28.—The Concord branch of the Granite Cutters' National union is to ask for changes in the present bill of prices, and have notified union headquarters to that effect. The bill of prices now in force between the cutters and manufacturers expires on the first day of May, and under its provisions notices of any changes desired by either party must be filed three months prior to that date.

It cannot be learned just what changes in the matter of pay will be asked by the cutters, but it is probable that they will ask a slight increase over the present schedule for certain classes of work.

Agreements with the quarries, tool sharpeners and other branches of the granite trade expire on the same date as that of the cutters.

JAILED ON THREE CHARGES.

Victims of Waitfield Accident Comfort-
able—Griffith Jailed, Tabor Fined.

As the result of the investigation conducted yesterday by State's Attorney Carver of the accident which happened in Waitfield, Saturday night, one man is jailed, another paid his fine and the third was discharged.

Glen Griffith of Waitfield, who was driving the team which ran over Miss Abbie Minor and little Ruth Farr, is in jail waiting trial on three charges, in intoxication, breach of the peace and furnishing. He was arraigned yesterday before justice of the peace H. M. Bushnell, but was not represented by counsel and waived examination. Not being able to furnish \$1,300 bail, he was taken to the Washington county jail to stay until he can appear before the next term of Washington county court. Henry Tabor, who was riding with him, was arrested, arraigned and fined \$5 and costs of \$10.52, which he paid. Samuel Little, who was racing down the street with Griffith, and whose horse was killed by being pierced with the thill of Griffith's sleigh, was arraigned on the charge of intoxication, but was later discharged.

Miss Minor and the child are suffering severely from the accident and the latter is not yet able to stand, because of her injured leg, in which it is thought, a bone is cracked, but it has been decided that there are no internal injuries.

A GOLDEN WEDDING.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilman L. Estabrook of
Rutland Observed Event.

Rutland, Dec. 28.—Mr. and Mrs. Gilman L. Estabrook of this city celebrated their golden wedding at their home yesterday afternoon and last evening by giving a reception to a number of friends, including several from out of town. Four of the five children who have been born to the couple were present, the other being dead. Mr. Estabrook has been a farmer most of his life, but is also a carpenter by trade. Both he and his wife are natives of Sherburne and they were married there December 27, 1860, by the Rev. B. F. Sumner of Sherburne. His age is 74 and hers 69. They live alone and are in excellent health.

88 CORPORATIONS FILED IN 1910

Against 103 In 1909—Largest Concern
Registered Had \$500,000 Capital.

Eighty-eight new corporations were filed at the office of the secretary of state in Montpelier during the year 1910, which is somewhat less than in 1909, when 103 were filed. These figures include Vermont corporations only and not foreign ones beginning operations in the state.

This year ten concerns registered with an authorized capital stock of over \$100,000, the largest being the Parks Paper company, Lunenburg, at \$500,000 and the Fort Dunsmuir company of Brattleboro, at \$450,000. Five corporations registered an authorized stock of \$50,000 to \$100,000 and fourteen from \$20,000 to \$50,000, the remainder being divided among smaller concerns with some capital stock or church or cemetery associations with no capital.

CLERKS THANKFUL.

For Various Reasons, as Told by an
Official.

We wish to thank the merchants for their kind remembrances at Christmas; also the editor of The Times for the notices advising shoppers to make their purchases early, and the public for its general co-operation.

A. L. Pierce, secretary.
Local 241, R. C. I. P. A.

MANY NOVELTIES
AT POULTRY SHOWWork of Judging the Exhibits Is Pro-
gressing Well—A Talk On Poultry
Will Be Given Thursday Night By
W. H. Card, One of the Judges.

Last night's exhibit of the fifth annual meeting of the Vermont Poultry association was largely attended, not only by poultry men and those interested in the birds, but also by many persons attracted there by the novelty of seeing nearly 1,000 hens of every description within the confines of one room. The officers of the association courteously accompanied these visitors about the hall explaining the different varieties on exhibition.

Meanwhile the work of judging the entries went on apace. It is now hoped that all of the premiums will be awarded by to-night, and this done, the attendance will materially increase before the show closes. The silver medal for the best cockerel and the diplomas for each class, offered by the American Poultry association, will also be awarded shortly.

In addition to the large number of birds shown at the exhibit this year, several couples are devoted to other members of the feathered family. Among these are several varieties of squabs. Other interesting features are silver and gold pheasants entered by Andrew Young of this city, also a pair of wood mallards. These ducks were hatched from eggs picked up in the woods beside a trout brook five and one half miles up in the mountains. The eggs, when found by F. W. Robinson while on a hunting trip, were partially covered with mud and sticks. The young ducks were raised by Mrs. George Chalmers.

Another feature of the exhibit which should not go unmentioned is the large number of poultry supplies displayed about the hall. The program for tomorrow evening will include a talk on poultry by W. H. Card of Manchester, Conn., who is acting as first judge at the show. The talk, which will be given at the Spaulding school, will illustrate the standard shape of different varieties of poultry on the blackboard. Mr. Card has given the same talk in many of the agricultural colleges of New England.

CUT DOWN BILLS
OF CITY LIGHTINGAfter the Company Had Done That, the
Aldermen Authorized the Pay-
ment—Short Session of
Board Held.

The regular meeting of the board of aldermen was very brief last evening as there was but little business transacted. A communication was received from the manager of the Vermont Telephone company relative to the city's request of them to change the location of a telephone pole on Granite street next to the Beck & Beck property. The manager stated that in his first letter he did not raise the question as to the city's right to order the pole moved, but he only wanted more specific reasons as a matter of record why the pole should be moved. He said that this pole supported a cable terminal of thirty wires and it would cost \$25 to make the change, however, he had ordered the local foreman to move the pole at his earliest convenience.

A building permit was requested by Thomas Garity to erect a new house of quarry street and the matter was referred to the fire committee to investigate and report.

The lighting bills for the months of October and November from the Consolidated Lighting company amounting to \$1,100.51 were ordered paid. These bills were held up by the lighting committee while they took an inventory of the number of lights the city was burning. When the inventory was completed it was found that the city was being charged for 67 lights more than were being used, and the company corrected these two bills to conform with the new inventory.

The city clerk stated that there was an unexpended balance of \$4,189.92 of the money appropriated for the schools which includes this year's tax and an unexpended balance from the bonds issued for the erection of the Lincoln school building. The clerk said that the school needed now \$2,189.92 of that money and he suggested that the remaining \$2,000 be set aside as a fund to help meet the payment of the bonds when they become due instead of being paid to the school fund. The board thought the suggestion a good one and complied with it.

James A. Tucker applied for a permit to hang two barber signs on Pearl street and the request was referred to the street committee to investigate and report. This finished all the business and on motion of Alderman Hoyt the board went into executive session.

HAD A CHRISTMAS TREE.

Italian Mission On Brook Street Held
Exercises Last Night.

A Christmas tree entertainment was held in the Italian Baptist chapel, corner of Brook and Main streets, last night. A fair-sized audience was present. There was a good program of recitations and songs in both Italian and English. The following children took part: Silvia and Mary Rizi, Stephen Rizi, Inez Malerini, Antonia Bergoni, Jennie Negretti, Maggie Matthews, Linda Castellini, Joe Maggini, Almo Malerini, Elsie Gordon. After the exercises, the pastor, Rev. G. B. Castellini, made a few remarks on the significance of the Christmas tree. Gifts, candies and oranges were distributed among the children, and altogether all present had a pleasant time.

CLERKS THANKFUL.

For Various Reasons, as Told by an
Official.

We wish to thank the merchants for their kind remembrances at Christmas; also the editor of The Times for the notices advising shoppers to make their purchases early, and the public for its general co-operation.

A. L. Pierce, secretary.
Local 241, R. C. I. P. A.

YOUTH SHOT
HIS FATHERFrank Gearwar of Newbury,
Aged 60, Badly Wounded

BOY NOT IN CONFINEMENT

Latter Admits Shooting His Father, but
Claims He Did It to Protect His
Life, as His Father Was Chok-
ing and Beating Him.

Wells River, Dec. 28.—Frank Gearwar, aged 60 years, is in the Woodsville hospital, dangerously wounded